

## Interest Group on International Human Rights Law 2024

Since the 2023 report, the Interest Group on International Human Rights Law has engaged in the following activities:

### *September 2023 – September 2024 Social Media Activity*

Twitter/X + [LinkedIn](#) + dedicated email

Through the dedicated Twitter/X account, the IG International Human Rights Law has sought to remain active and visible, through the dissemination of relevant events on international human rights law, as well as relevant pieces of scholarship.

In light of ongoing controversies with X however and absent any objections by ESIL, the IG has moved the crux of its social media activities to LinkedIn and its dedicated email: [esilighumanrightslaw@gmail.com](mailto:esilighumanrightslaw@gmail.com).

### *September 2024 ESIL Annual Conference*

#### ***Pre-conference Workshop: Vulnerability, AI and Human Rights***

Workshop of the Interest Group on International Human Rights Law, at the 2023 ESIL Annual Conference in Vilnius Lithuania.

#### **Speakers and Schedule:**

#### **9-9.10 Welcome and Introduction**

#### **9:10-10:30 Panel 1- Vulnerable Groups (1h20)**

- **Chair:** *Joyce De Coninck, European University Institute (Italy)*

**Instructions:** *10-12 min presentations followed by questions and engagement; presentations sent day before; papers sent week before*

- **Iris Richer**, Université Laval (Canada): Vulnerability and Children's Rights: Towards a Better Understanding and Protection of the Right of the Child to Participate in Cultural Life in the Digital Environment
- **Murtaza Mohiqi**, University of South-Eastern Norway: Digital Empowerment and Inclusive Innovations: Interdisciplinary Strategies for Marginalized Communities
- **Parkhi Saxena and Gaurav Pathak**, Jindal Global Law School (India): Deepfakes and Human Rights Challenges: Examining the Technology from a Feminist Legal Lens
- **Nahide Basri**, University College London (United Kingdom) Protecting information of occupied people during occupation

#### **10:30-10:40 Break**

## 10:40-12:00 Panel 2- Services and Vulnerabilities

- **Chair:** Elena Abrusci, Brunel University London (United Kingdom)

**Instructions:** 10-12 min presentations followed by questions and engagement; presentations sent day before; papers sent week before

- **Ramona Vijayarasa**, University of Technology Sydney (Australia): AI and North-South inequality: Can international law bridge the algorithmic divide and democratise knowledge?
- **Laurence Helfer and Veronika Fikfak**, Duke University (USA) and University College London (United Kingdom): Automating International Human Rights Adjudication
- **Margaret Warthon**, University of Groningen (Netherlands): Protecting the vulnerable in biometric identity management: A socio-technical approach to public automated decision-making accountability
- **Silvia Favalli**, University of Milan (Italy) Protecting Vulnerable Users of Banking and Financial Digital Platforms: A Disability Human Rights Perspective

## Agora 12. Technology, Vulnerability and Human Rights Law

**Chair:** Professor Thomas Streinz @New York University/EUI

- **Is Human Rights Law Capable of Protecting Against the Chilling Effects of Surveillance?**
  - Daragh Murray @Queen Mary University London
- **Confronting Digital Technologies: Addressing Vulnerabilities through an Infrastructural Approach to Human Rights**
  - Angelina Fisher @New York University
- **Human Right Protection By Design?**
  - Victoria Guijarro Santos @University of Goettingen

## Ongoing Events

- **Edited volume** (Brill Publishing – accepted) following from the 2023 ESIL workshop on reparations in IHRL
- **Special Issue** with the *International Journal of Human Rights* on the topic of the 2024 Annual Meeting (draft attached in Annex below).
- **IG IHRL Scholarship in Progress (SiP) Sessions** (link [here](#) for more detailed information)
  - On a monthly or two-monthly basis depending on demand
  - Moderated by the IG conveners with Designated Commentators
  - Max duration 1 hour
  - Work in progress
  - Dissemination of ongoing work 1 week prior to the online workshop
- **Convening of panel and/or workshop for the ESIL Annual Conference (topic tbd)**